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(SB 150)

AN ACT relating to the licensure of journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanics.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

- → Section 1. KRS 198B.662 is amended to read as follows:
- (1) [Upon application made prior to July 1, 1995, and payment of a fee as determined by the board, any person who has been actively engaged and lawfully established as a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor in this Commonwealth for not less than three (3) years immediately prior to July 1, 1994, or any person holding a valid heating, ventilation, and air conditioning license or similar license, issued by a city, county, or urban county government of this Commonwealth prior to July 1, 1994, may be issued a master heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor's license which shall entitle him to practice heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contracting, subject to approval of the board, in any jurisdiction in the Commonwealth. The prescribed fee and proof of eligibility required by the board shall accompany the application.
- (2) Upon application made prior to July 1, 1995, and payment of a fee as determined by the board, any person who has been actively engaged and lawfully qualified as a journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanic in this Commonwealth under the supervision of a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor for not less than three (3) years immediately prior to July 1, 1994, may be issued a journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanic's license, subject to approval of the board.
- (3) After July 1, 1995, All applicants for a master heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor's license or a journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanic's license shall be required to comply with KRS 198B.658, unless an applicant can demonstrate that he or she was actively engaged in the occupation of journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanic prior to July 1, 1995.
- (2) Notwithstanding KRS 198B.658, the board shall issue a journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning mechanic's license to an applicant who:
 - (a) Can demonstrate not less than three (3) years' experience in the practice of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning trades prior to July 1, 1995;
 - (b) Has passed an examination prescribed by the board to determine competency to install, maintain, and repair heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, heating and cooling service, burner service, and hydronic systems; and
 - (c) Has paid a fee as determined by the board.
- [(4) Upon application made prior to July 1, 1994, and payment of a fee as determined by the board, any person who has been actively engaged in the practice of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contracting in the public schools or has been actively engaged in the routine maintenance of heating, ventilation, or air conditioning in the public schools, for not less than eight (8) years immediately prior to July 1, 1994, may be issued a masters heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor's license, subject to the approval of the board.]

Signed by Governor March 16, 2011.